Section 4

Technology Transfer and Infusion

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Technology Transfer and Infusion

- The NMP sponsors technology validation missions that lower the cost and increase the performance of future missions by rapidly infusing newly-validated technologies
- Technology transfer into new applications and infusion into future missions are therefore essential objectives of the NMP
- This workshop is the first of several to facilitate the transfer and infusion of EO-1 technologies
- Separate technology transfer documentation will be prepared for each technology
- Infusion opportunities tend to be specific to each technology and vary considerably
- All infusion discussions are treated confidentially

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Technology Transfer

- Once the flight validations are completed, the EO-1 Mission
 Technologist completes the Technology Transfer documentation
- This consists of:
 - Description of the technology
 - Ground verification / validation
 - Technical validation on-orbit
 - Science validation on-orbit
 - Usage experiences both the ground and in space
 - Proposed applications
 - Technology infusion opportunities
 - Contact information
- Distribution of Technology Transfer Documentation:
 - Initially available on the EO-1 Web site
 - Workshops -- first in January 2001, second planned for August 2001
 - Conferences
 - Published papers

Technology Infusion

- Technology Infusion opportunities are described in the Technology Transfer Documentation
- They tend to vary from outright acquisition of the technology in the case of NASA-owned technologies to negotiated use in the case of commercially-owned technologies
- Technology infusion discussions are essentially follow-up activities to the distribution and presentation of the Technology Transfer documentation
- These discussions are held one-on-one with potential users and all are treated confidentially
- A specific Technology Infusion Plan is developed for those interested in incorporating a technology into a future mission
- Where appropriate, NASA is willing to provide limited funding to facilitate the infusion process
- The Mission Technologist is the contact for this process
 - Nick Speciale at 301-286-8704

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Technology Workshops

- First workshop in January 2001 with emphasis on the three EO-1 instruments:
 - Advanced Land Imager
 - Hyperion
 - Atmospheric Corrector
- Second, longer workshop planned for August 2001:
 - To discuss preliminary flight-validation results and usage experiences with the instruments
 - To discuss spacecraft technologies in the same detail as instruments
 - To review available Technology Transfer Documentation
 - To begin development and implementation of individual Technology Infusion Plans
 - To ponder the feasibility of an Extended Mission to consider data sharing arrangements and tasking opportunities to interested parties

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Technology Workshops (continued)

- Third workshop planned for March 2002:
 - To present final results of flight-validations
 - To present Technology Transfer Documentation
 - To review status of existing Technology Infusion Plans
 - To review status of Extended Mission if approved for FY'02
 - To push to complete development of Technology Infusion Plans by end of FY'02
- ◆ EO-1 activities conclude at the end of FY'02:
 - Technology Transfer Documentation subsequently available through NMP
 - Subsequent Technology Infusion activities managed by NMP
 - EO-1 Lessons Learned completed by end of FY'02 and available through NMP

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